

**Maryland Commission on Climate Change
Adaptation & Response Working Group**

Date/ Time: Monday, December 11, 2017; 2-4 PM
Please note the CoastSmart Council meeting directly precedes the ARWG meeting in C-1

Location: Maryland Department of Natural Resources, C-1
580 Taylor Avenue, Annapolis, MD 21401

- I. Welcome, Introductions & Review of Agenda 2:00 – 2:10 pm
Mark Belton, Secretary, Maryland Department of Natural Resources

Discussion: Adaptation & Response Working Group Chair, Secretary Mark Belton will open the meeting and seek approval of September 11th meeting notes.

Materials: Meeting Agenda
September 11, 2017 Meeting Notes:
<http://www.mde.state.md.us/programs/Air/ClimateChange/MCCC/ARWG/ARWGNotes09112017.pdf>
2017 MCCC Report
MDP Local Capacity Review Materials

- II. 2017 MCCC Report Summary & 2018 Schedule 2:10 – 2:20 pm
Jess Herpel, Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE)
Catherine McCall, Maryland Department of Natural Resources

Discussion: MDE will provide highlights of the 2017 MCCC report, share the final list of recommendations and discuss thoughts for the 2018 report. As part of this dialogue, ARWG members are asked to also identify if there are cross ARWG-MWG issues that should be addressed more fully in 2018's work plans.

Materials: 2017 MCCC Report

- III. ARWG Forum Focus – 2:20 – 3:50 pm
2017 Local Capacity Review & 2018 Regional Meetings

Discussion: The 4th quarter meeting of 2017 will focus on an overview of the Maryland Department of Planning's 2017 Local Capacity Review of Climate Change Adaptation Planning, and an ARWM membership discussion to frame the 2018 Regional Meetings. Input will be sought about 2018 schedules and topics.

- A. Local Capacity Analysis 2:30 – 3:00 pm
Jason Dubow & Deborah Herr Cornwell, Maryland Department of Planning

Discussion: MDP staff will provide an overview of their 2017 work on a local capacity analysis for climate adaptation planning of comprehensive plans, address other planning mechanisms or project cycles that would allow local communities to address climate. Staff will seek feedback on future direction and analysis.

Materials: MDP analysis tables and summary

- B. Regional Adaptation Meetings 3:00 – 3:45 pm
Catherine McCall, Kim Hernandez & Sasha Land, Maryland Department of Natural Resources
Brian Ambrette, Eastern Shore Land Conservancy
Jason Dubow & Deborah Herr Cornwell, Maryland Department of Planning

Discussion: One of the primary recommendations for the ARWG's 2018 direction is hosting regional meetings in local communities to understand local and regional climate adaptation priorities and support local partners in their own adaptation efforts. The goal is for these meetings to offer scientific, technical, logistical and planning resources that provide regionally-relevant climate change adaptation planning assistance. DNR, ESLC and MDP staff will lead small-group discussions to frame and guide the development of the meetings.

VI. Meeting Recap & Next Steps

3:45 pm

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